

Senate File 2205 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 2205
BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 2132)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to varsity interscholastic athletic contests
2 and athletic competitions eligibility limitations for pupils
3 who participate in open enrollment, and including effective
4 date and retroactive applicability provisions.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 282.18, subsection 11, Code 2016, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 11. A pupil who participates in open enrollment for purposes
4 of attending a grade in grades nine through twelve in a school
5 district other than the district of residence is ineligible to
6 participate in varsity interscholastic athletic contests and
7 athletic competitions during the pupil's first ninety school
8 days of enrollment or the first five hundred forty hours of
9 instruction in the district, whichever is completed earlier,
10 except that the pupil may participate immediately in a varsity
11 interscholastic sport if the pupil is entering grade nine for
12 the first time and did not participate in an interscholastic
13 athletic competition for another school or school district
14 during the summer immediately following eighth grade, if the
15 district of residence and the other school district jointly
16 participate in the sport, if the sport in which the pupil
17 wishes to participate is not offered in the district of
18 residence, if the pupil chooses to use open enrollment to
19 attend school in another school district because the district
20 in which the student previously attended school was dissolved
21 and merged with one or more contiguous school districts under
22 section 256.11, subsection 12, if the pupil participates in
23 open enrollment because the pupil's district of residence has
24 entered into a whole grade sharing agreement with another
25 district for the pupil's grade, or if the parent or guardian
26 of the pupil participating in open enrollment is an active
27 member of the armed forces and resides in permanent housing
28 on government property provided by a branch of the armed
29 services. A pupil who has paid tuition and attended school, or
30 has attended school pursuant to a mutual agreement between the
31 two districts, in a district other than the pupil's district
32 of residence for at least one school year is also eligible to
33 participate immediately in interscholastic athletic contests
34 and athletic competitions under [this section](#), but only as a
35 member of a team from the district that pupil had attended.

